

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
CHARLESTON DIVISION

Bilal A. Al-Haqq, #126806,	)	C.A. No.: 2:15-cv-01387-TMC-MGB
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Petitioner,	)	
	)	
v.	)	<b><u>REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION</u></b>
	)	<b><u>OF MAGISTRATE JUDGE</u></b>
Lavern Cohen, <i>Warden</i> ,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

The Petitioner brought this action seeking relief pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 2254. On July 13, 2015, Respondent filed a Motion to Dismiss. (Dkt. No. 11.) By Order of this Court filed July 13, 2015, pursuant to *Roseboro v. Garrison*, 528 F.2d 309 (4th Cir. 1975), the Petitioner was advised of the dismissal procedure and the possible consequences if he failed to respond adequately. (Dkt. No. 12.) Despite the explanation in the *Roseboro* Order, the Petitioner did not respond to the Motion to Dismiss.

As the Petitioner is proceeding *pro se*, the Court filed an Order on August 21, 2015, giving Petitioner through September 10, 2015, to file his response to the Motion to Dismiss. (Dkt. No. 15.) The Petitioner was specifically advised that if he failed to respond, this action would be dismissed with prejudice for failure to prosecute. The Petitioner thereafter sought—and received—two extensions of time within which to respond to the Motion to Dismiss. (See Dkt. No. 17; Dkt. No. 18; Dkt. No. 20; Dkt. No. 21.) Petitioner’s deadline to respond to the Motion to Dismiss was November 2, 2015. However, Petitioner failed to timely respond.

Based on the foregoing, it appears the Petitioner no longer wishes to pursue this action. Accordingly, it is recommended that this action be dismissed *with prejudice* for lack of prosecution and for failure to comply with this Court’s orders, pursuant to Rule 41(b) of the Federal Rules of

Civil Procedure and the factors outlined in *Chandler Leasing Corp. v. Lopez*, 669 F.2d 919, 920 (4th Cir.1982). See *Ballard v. Carlson*, 882 F.2d 93 (4th Cir. 1989).

IT IS SO RECOMMENDED.

  
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MARY GORDON BAKER  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

November 9, 2015  
Charleston, South Carolina

**The parties' attention is directed to the important notice on the next page.**

### **Notice of Right to File Objections to Report and Recommendation**

The parties are advised that they may file specific written objections to this Report and Recommendation with the District Judge. **Objections must specifically identify the portions of the Report and Recommendation to which objections are made and the basis for such objections.** “[I]n the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a de novo review, but instead must ‘only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation.’” *Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co.*, 416 F.3d 310 (4<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2005) (quoting Fed. R. Civ. P. 72 advisory committee’s note).

Specific written objections must be filed within fourteen (14) days of the date of service of this Report and Recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b); see Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(a), (d). Filing by mail pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 5 may be accomplished by mailing objections to:

**Robin L. Blume, Clerk  
United States District Court  
Post Office Box 835  
Charleston, South Carolina 29402**

**Failure to timely file specific written objections to this Report and Recommendation will result in waiver of the right to appeal from a judgment of the District Court based upon such Recommendation.** 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140 (1985); *Wright v. Collins*, 766 F.2d 841 (4<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1985); *United States v. Schronce*, 727 F.2d 91 (4<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1984).